

WORKFORCE OBSERVATIONS FOR WISCONSIN BAY AREA COUNTIES

JUNE 2004

June Unadjusted Unemployment Rates Show Seasonal Improvement in Economy

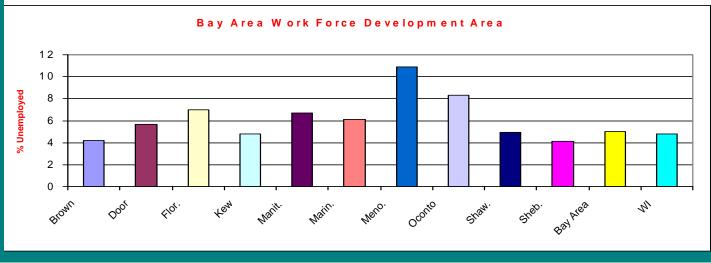
Bay Area Work Force Development Area													
May 2004	Brown	Door	Flor.	Kew	Manit.	Marin.	Meno.	Oconto	Shaw.	Sheb.	Bay Area	WI	
Civilian labor force	150,200	16,800	2,000	11,000	43,700	23,400	2,600	16,300	21,400	66,100	353,500	3,097,800	
Employed	143,800	15,800	1,900	10,400	40,800	22,000	2,300	14,900	20,400	63,400	335,800	2,950,600	
Unemployed	6,300	1,000	100	500	2,900	1,400	300	1,300	1,000	2,700	17,700	147,200	
% unemployed	4.2	5.7	7	4.8	6.7	6.1	10.9	8.3	4.9	4.1	5	4.8	
Seasonally Adjusted Rate	4.3									4.2		5.1	
Change from one month ago April 2004													
Civilian labor force	700	900	0	100	100	100	100	200	0	200	2400	16200	
Employed	900	1100	100	200	400	300	100	300	200	300	3800	26900	
Unemployed	-200	-300	0	0	-300	-200	0	-200	-200	-100	-1400	-10700	
% unemployed	-0.2	-2	-1	-0.5	-0.7	-0.8	-0.5	-1	-0.8	-0.1	-0.4	-0.3	
Seasonally Adjusted Rate	0.1									-0.1		0.5	
Change from one	Change from one year ago.												
Civilian labor force	5800	400	100	0	-200	300	0	-400	200	1900	8100	37500	
Employed	6400	800	200	200	-300	400	0	-200	300	2400	10200	54400	
Unemployed	-600	-400	0	-200	100	-100	0	-200	-100	-500	-2100	-16900	
% unemployed	-0.6	-2.8	-0.9	-1.8	0.3	-0.6	0.1	-0.9	-0.6	-0.9	-0.7	-0.6	
Seasonally Adjusted Rate	-0.6									-0.9		-0.6	

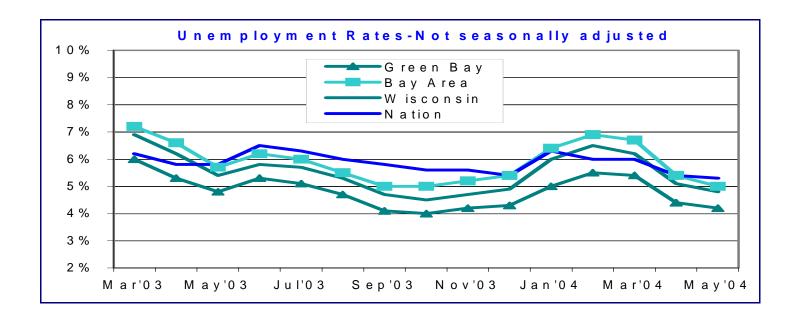
The month of may saw seasonal increases in the Bay Area's workforce and employment levels along with a decrease in the number of unemployed. The unemployment rate dropped 0.4 of a percentage point to 5.0 percent. All of the area's counties had declines in their monthly unadjusted unemployment rates. The largest monthly decrease was in Door County where the rate dropped by 2.0 of a percentage point to 5.7 percent. Sheboygan County had the smallest decline of all of the ten counties in the region declining 0.1 of a percentage point to 4.1 percent. This was the lowest rate in the region. Menominee County at 10.9 percent remained the

highest in the region. Its rate was down 0.5 of a percentage point. The declines were a combination of improving conditions in the area along with normal seasonal patterns experience this time of year, although some of the seasonal improvement is a bit late this year due to the wet spring, and this pattern will likely carry into June.

The area continues to show unemployment rates below one year ago levels along with higher levels of workers in the labor force and those employed and fewer unemployed from last year. Only two counties in the region

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had higher unemployment rates from last May. Marinette County was up 0.6 of a percentage point from last May at 6.1 percent, while Menominee County showed an increase of 0.1 of a percentage point from last May.

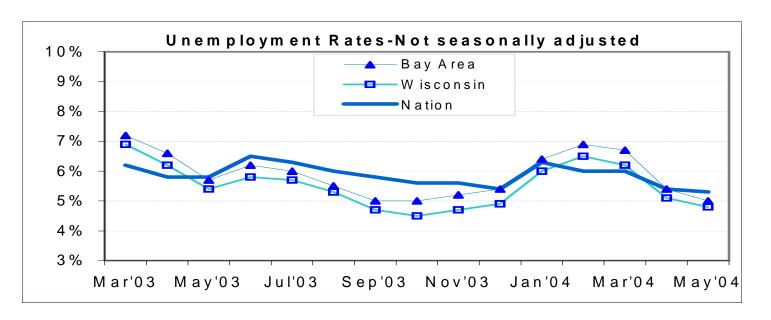
Overall, the number of workers in the labor force increased by 2,400 from April. Florence and Shawano Counties were the only counties to not have an increase in the labor force over the month, while Kewaunee and Menominee counties were unchanged from last year. Two counties in the region saw the number of workers in the labor force decline over the year, they were Manitowoc which dropped 200 and Oconto which was down 400. The region was up 8,100 from last May.

Employment in the Bay area was up 3,800 over the month and 8,100 over the year.

Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates

The seasonally adjusted rate for the Green Bay MSA was 4.3 percent, up from 4.2 percent last month. The rate was 0.7 of a percentage point below last year. The rate for the Sheboygan MSA, was 4.2 percent, a drop of 0.1 of a percentage point from March and a drop of 1.1 a percentage point below the one year ago level. The rate for Wisconsin was 5.1 percent.

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Wisconsin Bay Area Nonfarm Wage and Salary Employment											
May-2004	Brown	Door	Flor.	Kew	Manit.	Marin.	Meno.	Oconto	Shaw.	Sheb.	
Total Nonfarm	153.2	13.7	1.4	6.7	35.2	21.1	2.2	7.5	13.0	63.5	
Const/Min'g/Nat. Resources	8.0	1.0	0.1	0.5	1.3	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.6	2.7	
Manufacturing	28.1	1.9	0.3	1.7	10.9	6.4	0.0	0.5	2.2	24.1	
Trade	22.5	2.0	0.1	0.8	4.2	2.9	0.1	2.2	2.0	7.8	
Transportation & Utilities	9.9	0.1	0.0	0.5	1.7	0.7	0.0	1.1	0.3	1.2	
Financial Activities	10.7	0.6	0.0	0.2	1.0	0.5	0.0	0.4	0.5	2.4	
Education & Health Services	18.7	1.4	0.1	0.5	4.7	2.9	0.0	0.2	1.6	7.1	
Leisure & Hospitality	14.1	3.1	0.2	0.7	3.1	1.9	0.0	1.1	1.5	4.3	
Info, Prof/Bus.Srv, Othr Srv.	23.4	1.8	0.1	0.6	3.8	2.7	0.1	1.2	1.5	7.4	
Total Government	17.8	1.9	0.4	1.2	4.5	2.3	2.0	0.9	2.7	6.5	
Change from one month ago (April 2004)											
Total Nonfarm	2.3	1.1	0.1	0.2	0.5	0.4	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.6	
Const/Min'g/Nat. Resources	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	
Manufacturing	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.4	
Trade	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Transportation & Utilities	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Financial Activities	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Education & Health Services	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	
Leisure & Hospitality	0.7	0.7	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.2	
Info, Prof/Bus.Srv, Othr Srv.	0.5	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	
Total Government	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	
Change from one year ago	(May 2	003)									
Total Nonfarm	6.0	0.7	0.1	0.1	-0.6	0.1	0.0	-2.0	0.1	2.0	
Const/Min'g/Nat. Resources	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.5	0.0	0.0	
Manufacturing	1.5	0.2	0.0	0.0	-0.3	0.0	0.0	-2.0	0.0	1.1	
Trade	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.2	0.0	0.0	1.1	0.0	0.4	
Transportation & Utilities	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.0	-0.1	
Financial Activities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	
Education & Health Services	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.8	0.1	0.2	
Leisure & Hospitality	1.9	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	
Info, Prof/Bus.Srv, Othr Srv.	1.6	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.3	
Total Government	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	0.0	-1.0	-0.1	-0.1	

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